

**NOTICE OF THE MEETING
OF THE
NEBRASKA BOARD OF NURSING**

Thursday, September 21, 2006
8:00 a.m.

W.H. Thompson Alumni Center
Rhoden Board Room
6705 Dodge Street
Omaha, Nebraska

Following roll call, the declaration of a quorum the board will go into closed for the purpose of reviewing investigative reports. Members of the public may not be present in closed session. The board will remain in closed session until all cases have been reviewed. It is estimated that the board will come out of closed session at approximately 11:30. Members of the public may wait outside the meeting room. The door to the meeting room will be opened and signage changed when the board comes out of closed session.

REVISED AGENDA

- A. Call to Order (8:00 a.m.)**
 - Roll Call
 - Declaration of Quorum

- B. Review of Agenda (8:05 a.m.)**
 - Additions, Modifications, Reordering and Adoption of Agenda
 - Adoption of Consent Agenda:
 - C.1. Approval of August 17, 2006, Board of Nursing Meeting Minutes
 - C.2. Approval of August 17, 2006 Education Committee Meeting Minutes
 - C.3. Approval of August 17, 2006 Practice Committee Meeting Minutes
 - 4.4 Disciplinary actions/dismissals since last meeting
 - 4.5 Probation monitoring update
 - 3.1.10 Enrollment figures and trends from 2005 Annual Reports

- C. Approval of Board and Committee Meeting Minutes. CONSENT**
 - 1. August 17, 2006, Board of Nursing Meeting
 - 2. August 17, 2006, Education Committee Meeting
 - 3. August 17, 2006, Practice Committee Meeting

CLOSED SESSION (8:10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)

**[GOAL IV. REGULATE THE FIELD OF NURSING IN THE INTEREST OF
CONSUMER PROTECTION IN THE STATE.]**

[Objective D. Maintain/enhance the expedient implementation of the disciplinary process]

- 4.1 Proposed orders/Agreed Settlements**
- 4.2 Licensure applications.**
- 4.3 Case Reviews**
- 4.4 Disciplinary Actions/dismissals since last meeting CONSENT**
- 4.5 Probation monitoring update CONSENT**

OPEN SESSION (11:30 a.m.) Motions and vote on actions taken in closed session

**GOAL I. PROVIDE FOR THE HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY OF THE
CITIZENS.**

Objective A. Promote the safe and effective practice of nursing

1.1 Report of the Practice Committee (11:45 a.m.)

1.1.1. Approval of the revised Analgesia/Conscious Sedation Advisory Opinion

(Tactic 1: Develop position statements and practice opinions that serve public protection)

(Tactic 2: Review existing practice opinions for currency and appropriateness.)

(Tactic 5: Proactively and consistently define the practice of nursing.)

12:00 Noon the board will recess briefly and then continue the meeting over lunch.

1.2 Communication/participation with nursing organizations/groups (12:15 p.m.)

1.2.1. Report of Nebraska Nursing Leadership Coalition Activities

1.2.2. Report of NNA Centennial Activities

1.2.2.1. Banner for Board of Nursing

1.2.3. Other

(Tactic 6: Actively communicate and participate with organization, groups, and individuals impacting health care.)

1.3 Report on recent publications, consultation and speaking (12:45 p.m.)

1.3.1 Recent and upcoming speaking engagements and consultation – staff and board members

1.3.2 Suggestions for Fall issue of *Nursing News*

(Tactic 7: Disseminate information on nursing practice through publication, consultation and speaking)
(Tactic 8: Evaluate the new format for *Nursing News* using an online survey.)
(Tactic 10: Reinforce licensees understanding of mandatory reporting requirements by putting an information box in each issue of *Nursing News*.)
(Objective B, Tactic 3: Take advantage of opportunities for public speaking on the role of the Board of Nursing.)

Objective B. Educate Consumers on nursing roles and qualifications.

Objective C. Serve as a data source for health planning related to nursing resources

1.4 Update on the Nebraska Center for Nursing (1:00 p.m.)

1.4.1 Report of last meeting and recent and upcoming activities– Kelly

1.4.2. Annual Report

(Tactic 1: Work with Center for Nursing to collect and maintain current nursing workforce data.)

(Tactic 2: Create a link on the Credentialing Division Web site to the Nebraska Nursing Workforce reports.)

GOAL II. INSURE THAT NURSES MEET MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PROFICIENCY AND COMPETENCY.

Objective A. Monitor licensure requirements to ensure that they serve public protection and streamline application processes for maximum efficiency.

2.1 Licensure Recommendations (1:20 p.m.)

2.1.1. Examination

2.1.2 Reinstatement

2.1.2.1.Ratify vote on reinstatement of Kathryn Barr

2.1.3. Endorsement

Objective B. Explore options for measuring continued competency.

GOAL III. INSURE THAT NURSING PROGRAMS MEET THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THE STUDENT AND QUALIFY STUDENTS TO SERVE PUBLIC SAFELY.

Objective A. Promote congruency between nursing curricula and current health care and regulatory changes.

3.1 Report of the Education Committee – Megel and Committee (1:30 p.m.)

3.1.1 Elective Course for Bryan/LGH College of Health Sciences BSN program

3.1.2 Course revisions for College of Saint Mary PN program

- 3.1.3. Course approvals for Metropolitan Community College PN program
- 3.1.4 Course approvals for WNCC ADN program
- 3.1.5 Course approvals for WNCC PN program
- 3.1.6 Curriculum change for Midland Lutheran College BSN program
- 3.1.7 Acceptance of annual reports and continued approval of BSN programs
- 3.1.8 Elective Course for Creighton University BSN program
- 3.1.9 Quarterly NCLEX reports
- 3.1.10 Enrollment figures and trends from 2005 Annual Reports
- 3.1.11 Other

(Tactic 1: Monitor regulatory curricular requirements for currency with health care trends and insure regulatory requirements are congruent with health care trends.)

(Tactic 2: Monitor NCLEX-RN®, NCLEX-PN® and LPN-C examination trends including number taking exams and pass rate and share findings as appropriate.)

GOAL IV. REGULATE THE FIELD OF NURSING IN THE INTEREST OF CONSUMER PROTECTION IN THE STATE.

Objective A. Maintain the Nurse Practice Act and all Acts that impact on nursing in a relevant, clear and easily administered form.

Objective B. Develop and maintain current and comprehensive regulations as Authorized by the Nurse Practice Act.

4.6 Financial Report (1:45 p.m.) - Exstrom

- 4.6.1 Board of Nursing Budget Status Report of 7/31/2006
- 4.6.2 2007 Board of Nursing Budget
- 4.6.3 Center for Nursing Budget Status Report of 6/30/2006
- 4.6.4 2007 Center for Nursing Budget
- 4.6.5 Authorization of funds transfer to Center for Nursing

(Tactic 1: Monitor fiscal statements to determine if fees set in regulations are sufficient to cover costs.)

Objective C. Maintain advanced nursing practice acts and associated regulations in a relevant, clear and easily administered form.

4.7 Regulation/Legislation update (2:00 p.m.)

- 4.7.1 Adoption of Title 172 NAC Chapter 97 Regulations Governing the Approval of Nursing Education Programs– Exstrom
- 4.7.2. Update on regulation development process for APRN, CRNA, CNM, CNS and NP. - Bowen
- 4.7.3. Update on changes to ULL – implications for Nursing

(Tactic 1: Tactic 1: Establish work groups to develop regulations to implement CNS, NP, CRNA, CNM and APRN statutes..)

(Tactic 2: Hold meetings of workgroups from May to November 2006.)

(Tactic 3: Final drafts of regulations completed between August and December 2006)

Objective E: Establish, maintain and utilize board and staff member expertise

(Tactic 1: Evaluate board member training/education needs)

(Tactic 2: Plan and conduct or participate in board member education sessions.)

4.8 National Council of State Boards of Nursing (2:45 p.m.)

4.8.1 Report of Most Recent Policy Conference Call – Bowen

4.8.2. Report of Annual Meeting – Gondringer

4.8.3 Committee Reports:

Examination – Exstrom

PR&E – Echternacht

Bylaws – Kelly

Practice Breakdown – Bowen

(Tactic 3: Support staff and board member participation with national groups.)

D. Conclusion and adjournment (3:15 p.m.)

-Synthesize meeting outcomes

-Identify communication outcomes of meeting

All items known at the time of distribution of this agenda are listed: a current agenda is available in the office of the Credentialing Division, 3rd Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Times assigned for discussion of each agenda item are only estimates. The Board reserves the right to reorder the agenda as needed.

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